

RUSHVILLE VILLAGE VOICE

Village of Rushville, New York

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Happy Halloween!



Trick-or-treating hours for the Village will be from 6:00-8:00pm on Saturday, October 31st. Visit the Reading Center during this time for some goodies, and to hear a short story!



Fall Leaf Pick Up



This month we will be starting our 7th season of fall leaf pick up. The start date for pick up is dependent upon the weather and when the leaves start to fall off of the trees. When a start date is determined, orange flyers will be placed around the Village indicating that leaf pick up has begun. Flyers will be posted at the following locations: the Village Office, Community Bank, Federal Hollow, The Lunch Box, Post Office, Reading Center, and Rushco. Once leaf pick up starts, we will generally pick up leaves once a week on Fridays, however this is not set in stone. We share the leaf vacuum with the Town of Gorham and work cooperatively with them throughout the season. For the most current information, please check the bulletin board outside the Village Office or call the Village Office for further details.

In order to make the process quick, easy, and beneficial for everyone, please be sure your leaves meet the following criteria:

- ⇒ Leaves must be as close to the street as possible! We have limited reach with the vacuum hose.
- ⇒ Leaves ONLY! No brush, walnuts, litter/garbage in the leaves.
- ⇒ Do not bag the leaves! All bags will be emptied and it will be the homeowner's responsibility to dispose of the bags.

Thank you in advance for making our fall leaf pick up program a success!

Town of Potter Fall Clean Up Day

When: Saturday, October 31st,
8:00am-12:00 noon

Where: Potter Town Pit
1306 Phelps Road

What: Everything EXCEPT: bagged garbage, oil, and paints. Brush will be collected on site. Limit of one load of shingles per parcel.

Tire Fee: \$2.00 for cars/ pick-up trucks.
\$5.00 for all others.



Questions? Call 554-6758

Town of Potter Residents Only!

ATTENTION!

The Village Office will have slightly different hours during the months of October and November. Our Village Clerk, Jennifer will be out on maternity leave and our new Deputy Clerk, Amanda will be covering the office during her absence. We ask that everyone be patient with Amanda as she continues to learn the ropes and everyday operations. The hours will be as follows:

Mon: 9-3
Tues: 9-4
Wed: Closed
Thurs: 9-3
Fri: 9-4



SAFE DRIVING: DID YOU KNOW?

Americans spend more than 1 million days in the hospital each year from crash injuries, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's "Vital Signs" report released in 2014. Key findings from the report include:

- More than 2.5 million people went to the emergency department and nearly 200,000 of them were hospitalized because of motor vehicle crash injuries in 2012, the most current data available.
- On average, each crash-related emergency department visit costs about \$3,300, and each hospitalization costs about \$57,000 over a person's lifetime.
- More than 75 percent of costs occur during the first 18 months following the crash injury.
- Nearly 7,000 people went to the emergency department every day due to car crash injuries.
- Teens and young adults (15 to 29 years old) are at especially high risk for motor vehicle crash injuries, accounting for nearly 1 million crash injuries in 2012 (38 percent of all crash injuries that year).
- One-third of adults older than 80 who were injured in car crashes were hospitalized, the highest of any age group.

The good news is that there were almost 400,000 fewer emergency department visits and 5,700 fewer hospitalizations from motor vehicle crash injuries in 2012, compared to 2002. This equals \$1.7 billion in avoided lifetime medical costs and \$2.3 billion in avoided work loss costs. Preventing injuries saves money.

Drive Safely! From the Rushville Hose Company

A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Rushville Fire Department is actively seeking new members for various department posts, and we will provide free training and camaraderie. People volunteer for a host of reasons. Many feel compassion for others in need, some want to "give back" and others are passionate about the issues facing our community. Whatever the reason, the Rushville Fire Department will provide a wide variety of options to get involved that match your interests and skills. For more information please stop by the firehouse on Railroad Avenue most Tuesday evenings.



From Dodie, our Librarian

MABEL D. BLODGETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

ATTENTION! High school Seniors! Do you need Community Service?
Please come in or call Dodie 554-3939.

Trick or Treat & a Story at the Library - Sat. Oct. 31st: 6:00-8:00 pm

Crochet Group meets every Monday from 3 - 5 pm.

Everyone is WELCOME! From beginner to pro, come join us!

Adult Volunteers are Needed! Please call Dodie at the library, 554-3939



CRAFT FAIR AT THE LIBRARY

Open library hours from **Nov. 2nd through Dec.30th.**

Pick out a nice gift for birthdays, Christmas or just because gift, and help your local library at the same time!!

Crafters! Would you like to Donate one of your items to be sold at the Craft Fair? All proceeds go to benefit the library, which in turn benefits the Community. These items could include homemade canned goods as well. Contact Dodie. Thank you!!!

Winter Library Closings: Dec. 25 & 26, 2015 and Jan. 1 & 2, 2016.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS
 OF THE LIBRARY
 NEEDS YOUR HELP!
 PLEASE CALL
 LYN @ 554-4159
 OR
 LIBRARY @ 554-3939**

Fire Prevention Week

During National Fire Prevention Week, October 4 - 10, 2015 attention is focused on promoting fire safety and prevention, however we should practice fire safety all year long. Many potential fire hazards go undetected because people simply do not take steps to fireproof their home.

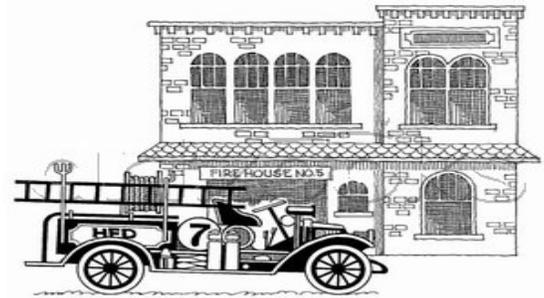
Many bedroom fires are caused by misuse or poor maintenance of electrical devices, careless use of candles, smoking in bed, and children playing with matches and lighters. Most potential hazards can be addressed with a little common sense. For example, be sure to keep flammable items like bedding, clothes and curtains at least three feet away from portable heaters or lit candles, and never smoke in bed. Also, items like appliances or electric blankets should not be operated if they have frayed power cords, and electrical outlets should never be overloaded.

Fire Safety Checklist:

- Install and maintain a working smoke alarm outside of every sleep area and remember to change the battery at least once a year.
- Designate two escape routes from each bedroom and practice them regularly.
- Teach everyone the "Stop, Drop, and Roll" technique in case clothing catches on fire.
- Avoid storing old mattresses in the home or garage.
- Teach kids that matches, lighters and candles are tools, not toys. If you suspect that a child is playing with fire, check under beds and in closets for telltale signs like burned matches. Matches and lighters should be stored in a secure drawer or cabinet.



THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



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On Saturday August 1, 2015 the Rushville Hose Company held its 6th annual **CASH RAFFLE**. To all of those that participated; a big **thank you** goes out for you continued support for the departments ongoing mission to provide fire service to Rushville and its fire district. Through your support, you helped make this event happen. To those vendors and volunteers, your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. The turnout for the event was wonderful! All tickets were sold and fun and entertainment went on well into the evening. Plans are already being made for next year, and if you can imagine, it will be even better! Congratulations to all of the people that won prizes in the raffle. Thank you again for all of your support!!!!

Heating Safety Tips

Heating equipment was involved in an estimated 53,600 reported U.S. home structure fires, with associated losses of 400 civilian deaths, 1,520 civilian injuries, and \$893 million in direct property damage. These fires accounted for 14% of all reported home fires.

Space heaters, whether portable or stationary, accounted for one-third (33%) of home heating fires and four out of five (81%) of home heating fire deaths.

The leading factor contributing to home heating fires (28%) was failure to clean, principally creosote from solid-fueled heating equipment, primarily chimneys.

Placing things that can burn too close to heating equipment or placing heating equipment too close to things that can burn, such as upholstered furniture, clothing, mattress, or bedding, was the leading factor contributing to ignition in fatal home heating fires and accounted for more than half (53%) of home heating fire deaths.

Half (50%) of all home heating fires occurred in December, January and February.

The Rushville Fire Department encourages all residents to be careful when installing and working around appliances. Please contact the Village Code Enforcement Officer for any questions regarding the installation of new equipment and chimneys. **Stay Safe!**



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Reggie O'Hearn, Code Enforcement

Officer & Building Inspector

Dodie Baker, Reading Center Director

Jim Rice, Village Historian

Art Rilands, Fire Chief

A Note from the Mayor

The Village will attempt to finish installing sidewalks on the north side of Gilbert Street this fall, but if not, certainly in the spring. We hope everyone is enjoying the new sidewalks that have been installed.

The bridge construction on Main Street has been completed by NYS DOT and the road reopened. They will be milling and repaving Main Street so construction will continue into October.

Thank you to all who continue to help make our Village an even better place to live.

Enjoy the changing of the seasons!

Rushville Fire Department Museum

The RFD is in the process of creating a small museum documenting their past which includes the Wilson Hook and Ladder Truck they recently obtained. The Rushville History Room has loaned them a number of items they have in their collection. Ken Seeling is making some display cabinets to showcase the items. Ken would appreciate any items you may have in a box, attic, garage or barn that could be donated to help complete a more inclusive collection. Such items as trophies, nozzles, hats, helmets, pins, award ribbons, etc. would be greatly appreciated. Ken can be reached in the History Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 554-6085. Thank you!

Village of Rushville Contact Information

Village Board Meetings

Second Monday of Every Month @ 7:00pm - Village Hall
www.villageofrushville.com

Clerk Hours & Contact Information

Monday, Thursday, 9-3 & Tuesday, Fridays: 9-4
Office Tel: (585) 554-3415 Office Fax: (585) 554-4885
E-mail: clerk@villageofrushville.com

Code Enforcement Hours & Contact Information

Tuesday & Friday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm
Office Tel: (585) 554-3415 Home Tel: (585) 394-7498
E-mail: codeofficer@villageofrushville.com

History Room Hours & Contact Information

Tuesday: 9:00am - 3:00pm & Thursday: 9:00am - Noon
Tel: (585) 554-6085 E-mail: historian@villageofrushville.com

Reading Center Hours & Contact Information

Monday & Wednesday: 3:00pm - 7:00pm
Friday: 1:00pm - 5:00pm & Saturday: 9:00am - 1:00pm
Tel: (585) 554-3939
E-mail: readingcenter@villageofrushville.com

Fire Department Contact Information

Tuesday Evening Meetings @ 7:00pm at Fire House
Tel: (585) 554-3045 E-mail: hoseco@villageofrushville.com

Address Numbers

Why Are They Important?

From the Rushville Hose Company

With Ontario and Yates counties having a 911 system in place, the importance of having an address number on your home and mailbox cannot be emphasized enough. Consider this: You have a real real-life incident and a call is placed to 911 reporting that someone in your home needs emergency medical care immediately. Without address #'s precious time could be lost in finding the correct address. In an effort to serve you better, the Fire Department is requesting that residents cooperate in posting their address number on their homes and mailboxes. Apartment doors should also be identified. As a suggestion, walk out to the street in front of your home and see if your house numbers can be easily seen. If they can be, then we have a greater chance of possibly saving a life. Address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification should be placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. The numbers should contrast with their background. At a minimum, address numbers need to be Arabic numerals or alphabetical letters. Numbers should be a minimum of 4 inches high and ½ inch wide. Reflective numbers or one of the new light-up signs are recommended.